

SALVATION ARMY FARMS.

Booth-Tucker Tells of the Good Work Done—Collected in Three States.

Wanderer Booth-Tucker, of the Salvation Army, reports that the past year was a prosperous one, and that the Army has thus far of the project of making poor people self-supporting by planting them to the country have all that was hoped for. The benefits of the plan take kindly to it, the work is to be extended. To the army has colony farms in Ohio, Idaho and California, covering 1,428 and valued now at \$11,000. They are tended by 200 colonists, and it is to increase this number to 500 this year. The largest and most valuable of the colonies is located at Arvada, Col. There settlers from the districts of eastern cities have acres of rich land which they are anxious to turn into 10-acre farms, so New York furnished the seeds, a number of whom had had experience in some sort of farming, and a number were carpenters and masons. The ground was divided into lots, of which each after-tax was cultivated, but left uncultivated with a view to the extension of the land should 10 acres be insufficient or a relative of a colonist decide to settle on the next farm. The whole apparatus is said to require very little attention, a single workman overseeing enough machines to produce 470,000 yards of thread per day—equal to the production of 24,000 cocoons. To make the gelatin threads proof against being dissolved in warm water or any other solution they are slightly wound on drums and subjected to fumes in a close room for several hours. Coloring matter added in very small proportions to the liquid gelatin produces any shade of thread desired. This artificial silk is said to be extremely brilliant and very uniform in thickness.

A very curious report comes to the state department from Consul Franklin at Berne, Switzerland, on the manufacture of artificial silk from gelatin. The consul says that his information is from Prof. Hummet, of Yorkshire college, in Leeds, England, who is the inventor of the process, and who has submitted specimens of his product to Swiss silk manufacturers.

The gelatin to be turned into silk is heated at a certain temperature, which keeps it continually in liquid form. The reservoir containing this liquid has a cover with innumerable small openings, through which the gelatin oozes in very fine streams. These tiny threads are discharged on an endless strip of linen cloth running over pulleys. When this strip has traveled far enough to dry the gelatin the threads are picked up automatically and wound upon spools.

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Our Consul Tells How It Is Artificially Produced.

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The Remarkable Discovery by a Berlin Journal Regarding Ways of Americans.

The Chronik der Zeit, of Berlin, has made a most remarkable discovery concerning the ways of Americans. We are accused of harboring a school for turning out "dummy lovers."

"There is a new occupation for young men of pleasant appearance and manners and educated for the purpose in the land of the dollar," says the Berlin journal. "The daughters of American millionaires, being of eccentric and often of a romantic turn of mind, in many instances show a tendency to favor the suit of some college bred but impecunious young man."

This, of course, gives any amount of worry to 'papa,' who, if he does not succeed in turning his daughter's mind by sensible and financial views expressed, resorts to the novel scheme of taking her for a tour on the continent "for the sake of her health." And it is here where the services of the 'dummy' are enlisted.

"A bright and handsome young man is selected from the school that prepares them, and he accompanies the family party in the capacity of traveling companion. He plays the part of the man of the world," and in his society the young woman soon forgets her poor Jack or Jim.

"Just as soon as the foxy parent sees that the cure works the young man receives his pay, and is suddenly asked to disappear, and then the rightful choice of 'papa' appears on the scene. This may be a nobleman or wealthy financier, or any one in whom the old gentleman has perfect confidence that his reputation will not be injured financially."

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First Direct Shipment Since Declaration of War Received at Valencia.

Newfoundland Dog Commits Suicide by Leaping from Brooklyn Bridge.

Hector, a big Newfoundland dog belonging to Jacob Dietz, a florist of Evergreen, L. I., jumped from the Brooklyn bridge the other morning and was instantly killed on the ice which fills the east river.

At the time of the accident, or suicide, Mr. Dietz' brother Charles was driving to Manhattan, and Hector, as was his wont, was piloting the way. Bridge workers had removed the iron lattice work at the side of the structure about 200 feet from the Brooklyn tower. Hector saw the opening, and took it with one bound. He landed on the ice a dead dog and immediately sank from sight.

TURIN'S SUCCESSFUL FAIR.

Turin held an international exhibition last summer which will remain noteworthy through the receipts having exceeded all expenditures by \$120,000. No sooner was this result known than the Italian government sent a tax bill demanding ten per cent. of the profits.

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Machine Throw Girls Out of Work.

The new cigarette making machine is raising the deuce in England. In Liverpool 1,500 girls will be thrown out of work, and many more in other cities. The machine rolls from 500 to 800 cigarettes a minute.

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L'ABEILLE DE LA NILE-ORLEANS.

Est très répandue en Louisiane et dans tous les Etats du Sud. Sa publicité offre donc au commerce des avantages exceptionnels. Prix de l'abonnement pour l'année: \$12 00; Edition hebdomadaire \$3 00; Edition du Dimanche, \$2 00.

Bulletin Financier.

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